

WE WILL HAVE PRACTICE "BLACKOUT" WEDNESDAY EVE



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BLACKOUT TEST NEXT WEDNESDAY TEST AIR-RAID ON SUNDAY BROUGHT EXPERIENCE

Civilian Defense Authority Functioned

McEwan Says Very Well

The air-raid test which was held in Northfield and 18 other towns in the county, created much interest among our residents here, and since the timing was publicly announced, all ears were ready for the reception of the signals announcing the raid. In the observation post on the hotel grounds, W. H. Whitaker was on duty from 2 to 4 o'clock, scanning the skies for the planes, and Chairman George McEwan was at his home, when he received the signal at 3:01 announcing the oncoming raid, with planes probably 150 miles distant. He notified Chief Air Warden Richard A. Cobb, who immediately called his district warden into action at the posts. There were 65 posts created to cover the district and they were patrolled during the second alarm, until finally a call from a district warden announced a bomb on the high school field. The general alarm was then sounded and to this place, were summoned the entire fire department with its reserves under Chief Johnson, and the medical department under Dr. F. W. Dean, with an ambulance driven by Philip Porter and with Mrs. Willis Parker, Miss Julia Austin, Miss Pauline Podlenski, Mrs. Philip Peitz, Mrs. William E. Park, Miss Doris Harriett, Mrs. Richard A. Cobb and Dr. George A. Bronson, all of the First Aid Corps, with their complete complement of medical supplies, stretchers, etc. They attended the injured on the field while the firemen fought the blaze. The (supposedly) injured were taken to the Town Hall for treatment. Those in the fire department to respond to the call were Chief Johnson, James Dale, Verne Ware, Willis K. Parker, Andrew Gray, Alfred Holton, Clifford Bolton, Edward Bolton, Roy Barrows, George Carr, Lee Sheldon, Charles Browning and Harrison Stacey. Reserves were Ernest Howard, Kenneth Bolton, Stanley Johnson, Edward Hurley, George Lombard, Gordon Buffum, Earl Lilley, Ralph Holton and Myron Dunnell.

The second signal of alarm was received at 3:30 and the alarm at 3:52 when whistles and bells sounded. There was a splendid showing of co-operation by everyone and the air raid test was a pronounced success. After receiving the alarm, Chairman George McEwan went to Town Hall, where already Dr. R. G. Holton had arrived in charge of protective measures and Air Raid Warden Cobb was receiving his responses from the many posts. Other members of the local Civilian Defense Committee were also gathered at Town Hall, including Harold F. Bigelow, Blackout Officer, who had control of the street lights and the alarm sounding. Members of the Guard had also responded to the call and police controlled traffic where necessary. The test was ended at 4:50 when all was normal again.

Dress Sale Party At The Homestead

Saturday afternoon, from 3 to 6 o'clock, March 14, is the date fixed for the Dress Sale at the Homestead when silk, satins, taffetas and velvets will be offered for one dollar a dress, your choice, a most unusual bargain offer, the proceeds going to clear the indebtedness of the Virginian Camp.

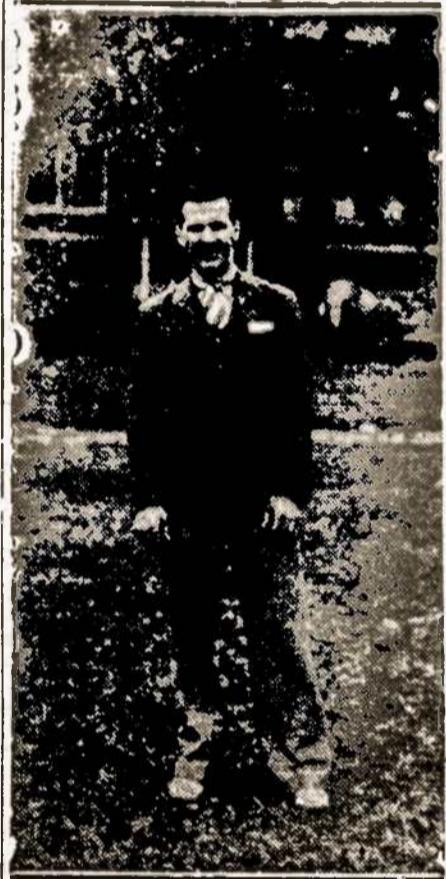
Coffee and doughnuts will be served at a small cost. There will also be offered for sale costume jewelry, artificial flowers suitable for spring hats, scarfs and other accessories. All are welcome to attend and it is hoped many will be on hand for a social afternoon.

The Fortnightly

This Friday afternoon at 8 o'clock in Alexander Hall, the Fortnightly will hear Miss Eleanor Davis of Northfield Seminary speak on "Current Events."

Cobb Air-Raid Warden Assumes a Big Task Has Competent Support

Richard A. Cobb, principal of the Northfield high school, has been named as Chief Air-Raid Warden for this district, to succeed Capt. William M. Marshall who has been called into the service. The appointment was made by George McEwan, local Civilian Defense Chairman, and announced at the recent meeting of the local committee held at the home of Dr. Richard G. Holton. The community is fortunate in having this responsibility placed in efficient hands. Mr. Cobb has named his



deputies and divided the area into 65 districts, which will include the Seminary campus as a unit. The districts are called "posts" and in case of a "test" or an emergency, each warden will be in charge to enforce the regulations and they must be obeyed or else penalty. Here is the list of wardens: Post 1, Hubert Eastman; 2, Sidney Given, Jr.; 3, Paul Jordan; 4, Herbert M. Gale; 5, Howard Spaulding; 6, J. Lee Bolton; 7, Emory Rikert; 8, Margaret Smeden; 9, Walter H. Hyde; 10, Norman Bolton; 11, Ralph M. Fossith; 12, Robert Huber; 13, Edward Tenney; 14, Dana W. Lewis; 15, Herman White and Charles Olds; 16, Leon Whitmore; 17, William D. Miller; 18, Cyrus Bates; 19, Mrs. May Landphear; 20, Rev. Edward Dahl; 21, Donald Finch; 22, William Podlenski; 23, George W. Leonard; 24, Frank Anderson; 25, Mark Wright; 26, Flora Abbott; 27, Harland Atwood; 28, William Andrews; 29, Mary Dale; 30, Doris Mason; 31, Priscilla Abbott; 32, Gladys Shattuck; 33, Harold Tenney; 34, Peter Ladzinski; 35, Mrs. Jennie Warnock; 36, Henry A. Johnson; 37, Francis Kelleher; 38, Roger Greenwood; 39, Mrs. Donald Williams; 40, John Addison; 41, Helen Stearns; 42, Ernest Clark; 43, Robert Clark; 44, Robert Miller; 45, Eugene Williams; 46, Donald Truesdell; 47, Leon Mankowsky; 48, Thomas Russell; 49, William Zasko; 50, Robert Shearer; 51, Ralph Stowell; 52, Lawrence Fisher; 53, Daniel Donahue; 54, Murray Hammond; 55, Charles L. Gilbert; 56, John Galvin; 57, Joseph Cembalisty; 58, Henry Bassett and Richard Bassett; 59, Fred L. Bolton; 60, Ralph Gibson; 61, Leland Lorraine; 62, Donald Lilly; 63, H. I. LaPlante; 64, Andrew Stacy; 65, Gilbert Stacy.

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Comes The "Blackout" Next Wednesday Eve Be Prepared For It

At the conclusion of the air raid test, Sunday, it was announced that a complete blackout test will be held throughout the county on Wednesday evening (March 11) probably between 9 and 10 o'clock and Harold F. Bigelow, Chief Blackout Officer, will be in charge. District air raid warden will patrol their districts under direction of Chief Warden Cobb. Close supervision will be given the darkening of homes and traffic will be fully suspended for at least 20 minutes with all street lights off and no lights on autos, which must park off the highway. It will be well for all householders to be prepared and act in readiness to make the blackout effective. Rules and regulations have already been published and cards of instructions have been issued. Remember that you will do a real service to keep the telephone lines clear for the emergency.

At a meeting of the local Civilian Defense Committee held at the home of Chairman George McEwan, Tuesday evening, preparations for the "blackout" were made and the procedure was gone over very carefully. No bell or whistle alarm will be given, when the blackout is effective, but the signal of its beginning will be when the street lights are turned off or the district warden advises the residents. No lights of any kind must show during the period. Traffic will be halted on all roads with the aid of special police and state troopers. The occupants of all homes must be responsible for extinguishing their lights and institutions, hotels, stores, etc., must do likewise. All illuminating signs of any kind must be turned off. Be sure you have good opaque material at your windows and it might be wise to try out your arrangements before Wednesday. It is suggested that people remain in their homes and off the streets. Automobiles must turn off their lights and park off the highway. Don't jaywalk if you are out, and remember only official cars are on the road running with restricted lights, beside fire apparatus, police and medical units. Of course the "blackout" on Wednesday evening will be only a test, but all rules and regulations must be heeded and enforced for the half hour period, probably 9:30 to 10.

All traffic going through will be halted at the state and town lines for the duration. Our citizens are requested to co-operate fully and those unwilling to do so are reminded that there are harsh penalties.

First aiders holding Standard or Advance certificates will report immediately to one of two First Aid centers in town. Those located in Northfield will go to the Town Hall, where the unit will be headed by Miss Julia Austin, and first aiders in East Northfield, exclusive of those located on the Seminary campus, will report at the Northfield Hotel for further instructions.

The Press has heard on good authority, of the engagement of two of our popular grammar school teachers, Esther Morgan Williams and George Melvin Leonard. Both have been active for some years in the church and social life of our community and we wish them both all happiness. No date has been set for the wedding.

Helps School Lunches

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The Peace To Come Must End Militarism Says Gezork At Hermon

"In the peace to come the Allies should be firm in a military sense with the Germans and generous economically," according to Dr. Herbert Gezork, formerly executive secretary of a German Youth Movement, and now professor at Newton-Theological

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Supt. Taylor has chosen the high school basement and the Center school corridors as refugee rooms and they will be as safe as any building within the town. These buildings are relatively new, of sturdy brick and tile construction with walls in no place not less than nine inches in thickness, and in some places protection provided by two walls. Drills are being held for the instruction of pupils and all measures are based on recommendations of the State and on the best plans operating successfully in England where many actual air-raids have been experienced. Capt. Helen Paul of England says that it is "impracticable to evacuate children to their homes." "Dispersal of children has disadvantages, they get excited or run out on the street, while motorists also rush to get somewhere, thus making for disaster."

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The teaching staff of both schools will follow the instructions of Civilian Defense, as given at present or changed later. If greater changes are made later, parents will be advised. Nearly all teachers in the school are either now, or have taken, first-aid courses and the principals of both schools are in close contact with the operation of the Civilian Defense.

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SUMMER CONFERENCES ARE ANNOUNCED

COMPLETE LIST OF EVENTS SCHEDULED

MUCH INTEREST IS INDICATED MANY EXPECTED TO ATTEND

Thousands of Christian ministers and lay workers, young and old, will make their annual pilgrimage to Northfield this summer as they have for the past 62 years, but never in the history of the Summer Conferences have these visits been undertaken with more seriousness of purpose than this year. In time of war the nation leans heavily on the churches and other Christian institutions for sustaining the country's morale and the magnitude of this task is emphasized by the nature of the present struggle. Northfield, as an important center of instruction and inspiration for Christian workers will, therefore, play an important role in the titanic war effort the United States is engaged in.

The Christian Endeavor Conference, July 25 to August 1, is planned to provide trained leadership for young people's work in the churches. Daily classes are held in Bible study, missions, methods, personal religion, and social problems and ample time is allowed for recreation. The faculty includes well-known ministers and leaders of young people's work. This conference is under the auspices of the Massachusetts Christian Endeavor Union, 41 Mount Vernon street, Boston.

The Westminster Choir College Summer School will be held July 20 to August 10 at Mount Hermon. This school will be personally conducted by Dr. John Finley Williamson, founder of the internationally famous Westminster Choir, and of the choir college at Princeton. The summer session affords opportunity for the study of choral music in the Westminster manner to choir directors, church singers, and school teachers whose winter months are occupied with their work.

The Northfield General Conference, which will be held August 1 to 17, will be for the second year under the direct leadership of President William E. Park of the Northfield Schools. The 1941 session was one of the most successful in recent years with attendance and enthusiasm reaching high marks. The 1942 program which lists the names of several of America's most distinguished Christian leaders will be announced in the Press within a short time. A special announcement about General Conference music, always one of the important features of that gathering, will be made at the same time.

Red Cross Disaster Committee Appointed

John W. Haigis, chairman of the Disaster Preparedness and Relief Department of the American Red Cross, Franklin County Chapter, has appointed William F. Hoehn, as chairman, A. Gordon Moody, in charge of transportation, and George W. Carr in charge of food, clothing and relief, as members of the Disaster Committee for Northfield. In addition to the duties formerly assumed by Mr. Carr, he will also have charge of "shelter" in connection with any possible evacuation.

This committee will operate very closely in connection with the Civilian Defense Committee, in which all three appointees are active. Members of this committee will be the only persons to be designated by the Red Cross emblem and then only when in actual service.

This committee has now served for several years and have had actual experience. They have everything in readiness for any calls which may be made upon them, with volunteers ready to assume the additional needs required.

A. P. Fitt of this town has also been reappointed a member of the County Disaster Committee of the Red Cross and will serve directly with Mr. Haigis, the county chairman in county supervision. Close co-operation is afforded with Civilian Defense for the needs of emergencies arising from fateful events whenever they occur in providing for food, clothing, shelter and care for sufferers.

Mothers are urged to check their baby's weight, if under 1 year, each week, at the nurse's room in town hall and, if they are from 1 to 2 years old, then every month, on Fridays from 2 to 5 o'clock.

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Gold Medal Flour	5 lb bag 29c
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TOWN TOPICS

The Rev. William E. Park will preach in the Chapel of the Choate School at Wallingford, Conn., this Sunday at 2:30 p. m. President Park will also speak at a meeting of the West Newton Branch of the General Alliance of the Unitarian Church on Wednesday, March 11. His subject will be "Religion and Education."

Gordon Buffum will lead the services at the Federated Church in Ludlow, Vt., next Thursday evening.

Women of the Unitarian Church will serve a public supper this Friday evening in the social hall of the church.

Rev. Fred MacArthur of Ludlow, Vt., leader of the "Old Fashioned Githerin," will be the speaker at the Lenten Institute services at the Congregational Church next Thursday evening.

The Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church will hold its next meeting on Thursday, March 12, at 2:30 o'clock in the church parlor, when Rev. Edward C. Dahl will be the speaker. The hostesses will be Mrs. Carroll Miller and Mrs. Charles Webster.

The next meeting of the 12th Lodge of Instruction of the Masonic fraternity will be on Tuesday evening, March 24 at 8 o'clock with Mechanics Lodge of Turners Falls, when Wm. Raymond H. Cowing will be the speaker.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Holton observed their 25th wedding anniversary last Saturday and in the evening were agreeably surprised by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coats with a party of friends calling upon them. Mrs. Rena Deane prepared the anniversary cake in which all shared.

Rev. Edward C. Morgan of Huntington, Conn., was a visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Morgan, this week for a short stay.

Frederick McVeigh, for six years a member of the French department of Mount Hermon school, leaves the faculty to enlist in the Coast Guard service of the U. S. Navy. He reported for duty last Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Allen H. Wright returned from a most enjoyable sojourn in Florida last Tuesday and he is again found at his office at the regular hours. They visited with their daughter and husband, Capt. and Mrs. Ernest Leavitt, at Jacksonville, and with Mrs. Lester A. Polhemus in Miami, but spent the greater portion of their time at Fort Lauderdale where the climate delighted them.

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International Weekend Observed At Seminary

Foreign students from Mount Holyoke, Connecticut College for Women, Smith, and Wellesley, will gather on the Seminary campus this Saturday to take part in the International Weekend, sponsored by the International Relations Club of the Seminary Church. These girls come from many of the South American countries, including Chile, Argentina, Brazil, and Colombia, as well as India, Vienna, Russia and France, China, and Greece.

A full and interesting program has been planned for the weekend, which will include a tea and reception on Saturday afternoon at Revell Hall, and a meeting of the International Relations Club in the evening. Speakers at the meeting will be Miss Florence Chaudet of Argentina; Helidora de Mendonca of Brazil; Mary Vardoulakis of Greece; and Miss Nelly Schargo of Russia and France, who will dance for the group. On Sunday morning the visitors will be the guests of the club at a breakfast in their honor at one of the Seminary halls.

Dr. Herbert M. Gale, head of the Bible Department of Northfield Seminary, will preside at the morning service in Sage Chapel at 11 a. m. He will be assisted by two of the foreign students, Miss Kumari Paul of India, and Andrea Ungar of Vienna, alumnae of the Seminary, and Catherine Carpenter of Springfield, member of the Seminary International Relations Club.

Congregational Church

Services on Sunday and for the week are as follows:

Sunday, 10, Sunday school; 11, morning worship, sermon by Mr. Dahl, "When Everything Goes Wrong, What Then?" 6:30, Christian Endeavor, Mr. Niblock of Mt. Hermon will be the speaker; 6:30, the choir will give a concert in the Congregational Church at Millers Falls, sermon by Mr. Dahl; 9:15, the Young People's Forum, Collin Richmond of Shelburne Falls will speak on "Hymns and Their Makers."

Monday: 7:30, the Standing Committee will meet.

Wednesday: 11:30, Mothers' Society luncheon at the home of Mrs. Ross Spencer.

Thursday: Thursday Evening Lenten Institute: 6, fellowship supper in the vestry; 7, classes for all: Bible study, Dr. Dale; Missions, Prof. Morse and others; Teaching Religion, Miss Hausman; Church Membership, Mr. Dahl. 7:45: song service in the church; 8: sermon by the Rev. Fred MacArthur; 8:30: choir rehearsals.

Friday: 7:30, the evening auxiliary will meet at the church.

Study meeting, led by Miss Maud Hamilton and Mrs. Bernard Whitney.

The Unitarian Church

On Sunday at 10:45 o'clock, service for worship and sermon, topic: "Divine Discontent," a

these appropriate to the season of "Mud Time." Rev. Arthur Heeb, minister; Mrs. L. Percey Goodspeed, organist.

Church school at 9:45, Ruth Avery will lead in the service; Winona Robinson in charge of the music.

A cordial welcome is extended to all. Mr. Heeb will lead in the service of worship Monday at 9 o'clock over radio station WHAI.

Radio Preacher To Speak

The Rev. Fred MacArthur, leader of the popular radio program, "The Old Fashioned Githerin," broadcast on Monday evenings over station WKNE, will be the preacher at the third session of the Lenten Institute in the Congregational Church on Thursday evening, next week. The Rev. Mr. MacArthur, who is minister of the Baptist Church in Ludlow, Vt., will speak at the meeting in the church auditorium beginning at 7:45. This service will be preceded by supper at 6, served by the Womans' Missionary Society, and by classes at 7, as has been announced. All who enjoy Mr. MacArthur's friendly program of music and the spoken word are invited to hear him preach next Thursday night.

New First Aid Class

The Standard First Aid class, originally scheduled to begin on Monday, February 28, will definitely start next Monday evening, (March 9,) at 7:30 p. m. in the Town Hall. All townspersons, who are interested in the course and those air raid wardens and members of the Home Guard who have not had first aid training, are urged to join the class.

For Flight Training

Young men between 20 and 27 years of age are needed for flight training in the Naval Reserve and the American Legion of the nation in co-operating to recruit such forces. The local Post has named Harold F. Bigelow, recruiting officer and any young man interested should confer with him.

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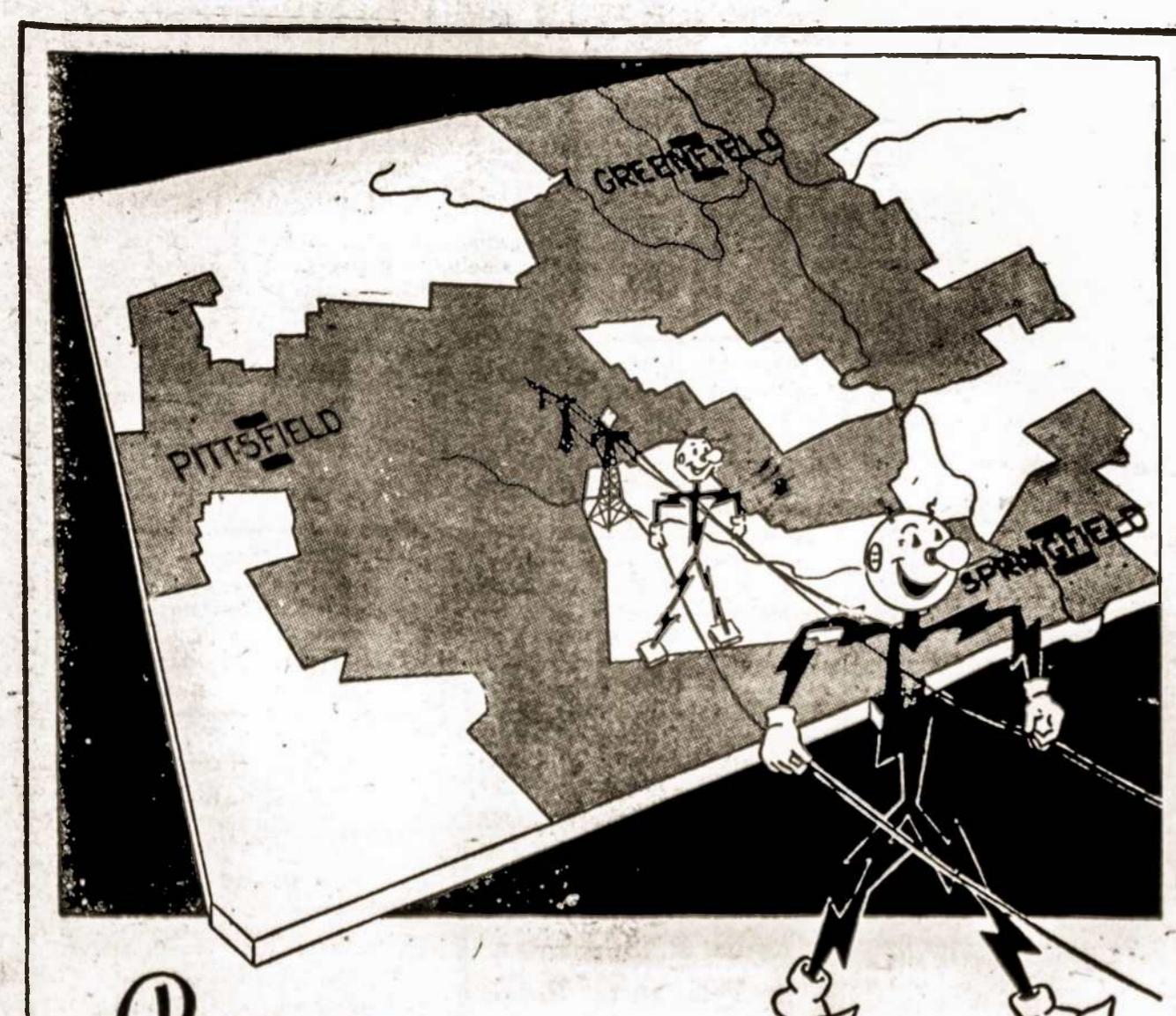
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TOWN TOPICS

The Friendly class of the Congregational Church will entertain the Diakonia Sisters of Millers Falls Church next Wednesday evening. Supper will be served at 6:30.

The Northfield Hotel held another one of its successful "neighborhood nights" on Wednesday evening. A dinner was followed by various card games during the evening.

Miss Evelyn Lawley of the faculty of the high school was a successful entrant in the Times Magazine Current Events contest and was the highest of 25. She will receive a copy of a new book.

Mrs. E. M. Powell has received a letter from the British War Relief Society expressing gratitude for the receipt of the many cartons of fine used clothing which she had forwarded from Northfield contributors.

Miss Edith Goodspeed of Newtonville spent last week as the guest of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed, of Main street.

The Flower Show in Boston will be held in the Mechanics Hall, March 18, and special trains will be run on that day to accommodate visitors. It is said that as usual the show will be gorgeous and will feature a mammoth rose garden.

Did you notice the eclipse of the moon last Monday evening. It began with its rise at 6:45 o'clock in the evening and reached totality as the moon climbed the arch of the sky.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cembalisty of Orange, formerly of this town, at the Farren Memorial Hospital on Sunday, March 1.

Information has reached Greenfield and published in the newspapers that Dr. Roger E. Hubbard, formerly of Northfield and Greenfield, who enlisted in the British Royal Army Medical Corps, was married in London recently to Miss Josephine Magilly, formerly of Paris.

The group of women who are doing knitting with Mrs. D. F. Sutherland in charge, have finished 9 navy sweaters, 11 pairs men's socks, 1 panty suit, and 17 children's sweaters, and these were taken to Greenfield and delivered to Miss Koch of the Red Cross production department last Saturday by Mrs. Ross L. Spencer.

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Mrs. Jennie A. Bisscom is endeavoring to keep an up-to-date list of the addresses of our town boys in the service, so that those who desire may send them mail, etc. She will be glad to furnish the address to those who request.

West Northfield and South Vernon

Mrs. Herbert Baker of West road left last week with her husband for Newport, R. I., where they will reside while Mr. Baker is employed there.

A. A. Dunkhee has resigned as a director of the Eastern States Farmers' Exchange which he has served for many years.

Miss Grace Randall, who teaches in the schools of Gill, was a visitor in Springfield over the weekend.

The Women's Missionary Society held its regular meeting at the Vernon Home on Wednesday afternoon.

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Sugar Rationing Will Improve Health

Sugar rationing may be inconvenient at first, but it will greatly improve the health of the nation, says Miss May E. Foley, extension nutritionist, at Massachusetts State College. Although white sugar is high in calories, it lacks the food elements that Americans need most—vitamins and minerals.

Homemakers can serve fewer rich desserts—fewer pastries and very sweet cakes. Fresh fruits are among the most nutritious desserts and they carry their own sugar. Dried fruits are one of the best sources of natural sugar. Custards and simple puddings are other desserts that use smaller amounts of sugar.

Miss Foley points out that there are many ways that housewives can conserve sugar. Keep a weather eye out for sugar wastes, she advises. One of the most obvious is the undissolved sugar in the bottom of a cup of coffee or tea. Others are oversweetened foods, cake failures—or failures of any product containing sugar.

Most of us can get along on a lot less sugar than we have been eating and still have nutritious meals that taste good. In a recently published leaflet written by Miss Foley, she points out ways that corn syrup, honey, maple sirup and molasses can be substituted for sugar.

"Sugar in Meal Planning," contains recipes using no sugar. A copy of this leaflet will be sent without charge to residents of Massachusetts. Address your request to Miss May E. Foley, Massachusetts State College, Amherst, Massachusetts.

Martha Berry Dies

Miss Martha McChesney Berry died at her home in Atlanta, Ga., last Friday. She was the founder of the Berry Schools at Rome, Ga., and has received national recognition for her successful work. She gave up a comparatively easy life of an aristocratic southern family to teach useful arts and crafts to the underprivileged of the "mountain children" and was known to them as the "sunshine lady". She started her school in a log cabin some 41 years ago, but today the institution includes some 35,000 acres with more than 100 buildings and a student body of over 1000 young people. Most of the students earn their tuition fees by working for the school in various departments. Miss Berry was a personal friend of the late Dwight L. Moody and for many years in succession attended the Summer Conferences held in Northfield, among whose attendants she had many friends. Northfield friends have frequently visited her and observed her work at the Berry schools, to which in recent years, Henry Ford has been a large contributor.

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Young People's Forum

Sunday evening at 8:15 the Young People's Forum of the Congregational Church will hear Colin B. Richmond, music director of the Shelburne Falls school district, speak on the subject "Hymnology." This study is a most fascinating one and it is hoped many will be present as this is to be an open meeting.

Credit To Farmers

Farmers who need credit amounting to \$400 or less and who have difficulty to obtain it at reasonable rates are eligible for loans through the Emergency Crop and Feed Loan section of the FCA (according to Mr. John J. McDermott, supervisor for the loans in this section).

"Current efforts to increase the production of certain food products are encouraging some farmers, especially small operators, to grow more crops." The "emergency" loans are available for such farmers, but "are limited to the actual cash expense, not to exceed \$400." The interest rate on them is 4 per cent. a year, and the security required is a crop mortgage. Repayments may be arranged to suit the individual's needs, and are usually timed to coincide with the harvest.

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New Books At Library Announced By Librarian

The trustees of Dickinson Library have purchased the latest edition of Webster's New International Unabridged Dictionary, a splendid reference book, in which the answers to many questions may be found, in addition to definitions of words.

Other books of non-fiction are: *Return to the future*, by Sigrid Undset. Gives an exciting account of the author's flight from Norway when the Germans came in, following a route through Sweden, Soviet Russia and Japan. *This chemical age*, by Williams Haynes. The modern synthetic materials, such as plastics, artificial fabrics, etc., are described and pictured by an authority.

From man to machine, by Agnes Rogers. A book on inventors and inventors, with many illustrations and photographs.

The Connecticut River, by Marguerite Allis. The saga of the Connecticut, from days of the Indian canoes to modern streamlined modes of travel. Many photographs of local scenes.

I was Winston Churchill's private secretary, by Phyllis Moir, who says "This was the private-secretaryship to end private-secretaryship!"

A Treasury of Gilbert and Sullivan, edited by Deems Taylor. The best known songs of this famous pair, with music simple enough for almost anyone who has "had a few lessons" to play. Humorously illustrated in colors.

Respectfully yours, Annie. Letters of a London cook and guardian angel, addressed to her "Dear Madam" who has come to New Hampshire with the two "babies" (who are really almost grown up) for the duration.

From Dr. Halford Luccock's list of recommended Lenten reading, we chose "The family lives, its religion," by Regina Wieman, and "Living under tension," by Harry E. Fosdick.

Girls of the woods, by Grace L. Hill. Light romance.

Fiction: *Spring magic*—by D. E. Stevenson, a young London girl, evacuated to Scotland, finds romance and happiness in spite of the war. Breakfast with the life in India, in the family of an Nikolides—by Rumer Godden; English official, told with a touch of magic. *Corn in Egypt*—by Warwick Deeping; a "back to the country for the good life" story. The Kimball collection—by Elizabeth Corbett; the collection refers to the different members of an interesting, light-hearted family.

Along these streets—by Struthers Burt; the streets are those of present-day Philadelphia, where a young man is obliged to live, if he wishes to inherit a fortune. *Chocolate Fleck Cake*—A popular with all ages, it stands particularly high on the children's dessert list. In fact, I believe "ice cream" may be its only rival. So why not purchase some vanilla ice cream and combine these two favorites? Then, there will be no doubt whatsoever that Chocolate Fleck Cake a la Mode will rate number one on your child's "dessert parade" — and will very likely rate the same on your own list.

Chocolate Fleck Cake

2 squares unsweetened chocolate, grated; 2 1/4 cups sifted cake flour;

2 1/4 teaspoons double-acting baking powder; 1/4 teaspoon salt; 1/4 cup butter or other shortening; 1 1/2 cups sugar; 3 egg whites, un-beaten; 1/2 cup milk; 1 1/2 teaspoons vanilla.

Grate chocolate on coarse grater. Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder, and salt, and sift together three times. Cream butter, add sugar gradually, and cream together until light and fluffy. Add egg whites, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add egg whites, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add egg yolks, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each. Add flour, alternately with milk, a small amount at a time, beating after each addition until smooth. Add egg whites, one at a time, beating thoroughly after each. 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EDITORIAL

I WOULD BE

I would be true, for there are those who trust me; I would be pure, for there are those who care; I would be strong, for there is much to suffer; and I would be brave, for there is much to dare. So writes Howard Arnold Walter and it's a thought for the time for all of us.

KEEP MUM

The average person talks too much and it seems to be a human failing in most of us. It tends to gossip and of course, nobody wants to be accused of gossiping. We shrink from it. Now the nation is at war and we should be particularly careful. Sometimes the subject of our conversations relate to war activities, and the enrollment of our sons in the service, their locations and their letters from the front. Be careful, please, of what you speak, lest some information might reach listening ears, who would pass it along to the "enemy" for advantage. It's good advice, to "keep mum" and be careful of your words.

OBJECTORS

The denial of naturalization to a clergyman who has been ministering in a church of this area, by the superior court sitting in Northampton with Judge J. Arthur Baker, presiding, follows the clergyman's plea as a "conscientious objector" when called before the Selective Service Board. Commenting, said the Judge, "I know of many ministers who would shoot any enemy of the U. S. and I see no reason why you are any different. Every person should do all they can to win this war. I have little patience with people who are so conscientious." Now that the court has declared itself upon this important matter, the backbone of our draft boards will be stiffened and there is no reason why all "conscientious objectors" should not be rounded off together in some camp of service. The man who will not fight for his freedom, is not deserving of the protection of the nation, for which others work and fight.

The Back Yard Gardener
By G. O. Olson

I read an illustrated article recently on how Americans are avoiding a case of war nerves. In fact, it was while I was in the big city of Boston and I had a chance to see some of the war nerves being avoided. I guess it was all right for those who enjoyed it. But honest, folks, I think I'd rather take my chances on having the war nerves.

And I guess you can guess that what I would recommend for a case of war nerves is a home garden. I don't care whether it's a vegetable garden, a flower border, or just some window boxes. As long as it's something which grows it will settle your nerves and feed your soul. To use radio lingo, it's a four-way tonic.

The four ways which I had in mind include anticipation, realization, healthful exercise, and money saved. Just this morning I bought two dollars' worth of savings stamps for the kiddies with what I could have spent in the big city avoiding war nerves.

Of course, I realize there are two sides to the question, and probably some of you won't agree with me. Both sides may have their value, but I for one am going to stick to my gardening.

If you have been following these little letters of mine, you

know that I have been suggesting that there is no need for a vegetable garden unless you really need one to cut down expenses and to improve the health of your family. The little flower border filled with annuals, bulbs, and other growing things will settle the nerves, so don't feel that it's necessary to have vegetables.

I think a half dozen tomato plants staked up in your flower border surrounded by zinnias, marigolds, cosmos, and sweet peas would make an excellent combination for feeding both the inner man and the soul.

I'd also like to remind you that if you are having a vegetable garden, get your order in now, but use discretion as to how much garden seeds, fertilizers, and spray materials you order. I ordered 12 different vegetables recently and four of the varieties were unavailable. This gives you an idea of the scarcity of seeds, so if you really need a vegetable garden, you'd better get those orders in and get your plans moving along.

I think one thing home gardeners should plan to do this year and during the rest of the war, is to have better gardens rather than bigger gardens. Remember, that better gardens make better homes, and better gardens build morale.

On closing I can't help but remind you of the old Chinese proverb which ends with these words, "If you want to be happy forever, have a garden."

Know Massachusetts
by State Planning Board

DO YOU KNOW THAT... Cost of living in Massachusetts has risen about ten per cent, since the beginning of the second World War in 1939, which is only about a third as much advance as had occurred in the corresponding period of World War No. 1, up to June 1917... New orders received by Massachusetts factories during January totaled about 44 per cent. more than in that month a year ago... About 500 girls in Massachusetts are now being trained by the National Youth Administration for defense work in mechanical shops, including machining, drafting, radio repair and assembly, and metal work inspection. A new division for girls in welding may soon be started... Massachusetts Department of Labor and Industries reports that approximately 27 per cent. of the industrial wage earners in Massachusetts in January were employed wholly on defense production. Textiles and metal products were the most active lines... Expansion by the General Electric Company is giving Massachusetts a strong footing in the new plastic industry... The 1940 population census for Massachusetts showed 4,257,596 white persons and 55,391 negroes. Of the white residents of races other than residents, 3,408,744 were native born, 848,852 were foreign born, white and negro totaled 3,74... Of cities and towns in Massachusetts having 2,500 population or more, the ten which showed the largest percentage of growth in retail trade between 1929 and 1939 ranked as follows: Auburn, Wellesley, Dartmouth, Somerset, Longmeadow, Dudley, Gardner, Needham, Ludlow and Northbridge... The City of Melrose has recently accepted the provisions of Chapter 211, "An Improved Method of Municipal Planning."

Heard Judge Thompson

There was a dinner meeting of the Historical Society members at Bronson Inn on Tuesday evening with Dr. George A. Bronson, the president, presiding. He introduced the guest of the evening, Judge Francis Nims Thompson, who spoke of his experiences in the administration of the Probate Court. Incidentally it was the society's 20th anniversary.

Mr. Smith and Mr. Brown were discussing business conditions: "How's things with you, Smith?" asked Brown. "I'm doing a lot better," answered Smith. "In this recession I'm dancing the big apple, while in the depression I was selling them." Wall Street Journal.

Short Of Quota

The American Red Cross has notified the Franklin County Chapter that the War Fund campaign will end officially on March 10 and that at present the quota for the county is short \$469.84 of the goal of \$35,000. Any further contributions to the fund from Northfield may be sent immediately to George W. Carr, local chairman of the campaign.

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Sunday Services

Dr. Paul Dwight Moody, president of Middlebury College, and trustee of the Northfield Schools, will be heard at services at Mount Hermon and Northfield Seminary this Sunday. Dr. Moody returns to Northfield to speak in Mount Hermon Memorial Chapel at 10:30 a. m. and at evening vespers in Sage Chapel at 5 p. m. His ar-



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now with some fire-retardant material such as mineral-surfaced asphalt shingles. It means ruthlessly cleaning the attic of all combustible rubbish. A layer of building paper spread across the attic floor and covered over with two or three inches of dry sand will also help protect the floors below from a fire that may be ignited.

Usually, a pail of sand, a long-handled shovel, a two to four-gallon water tank with a fine spray and a garden hose are sufficient equipment. The trick in fighting incendiaries is to spray water on them to hasten their burning, then cover them with sand to protect surrounding woodwork. When the fire has subsided sufficiently, the bomb may be shoveled into a pail of sand and taken out of the house. For complete instructions on combating fire bombs, home owners should go to their local Office of Civilian Defense.

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